

How to use Google Translate on the Computer

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Google Translate changes information on your computer screen into a different language. You can choose which language you want the text, document or website translated into. This guide tells you how to do this on a computer.

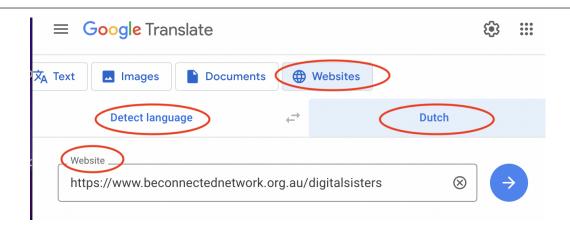
Before you start

Go to your browser and go to Google Translate: https://translate.google.com/

To translate websites

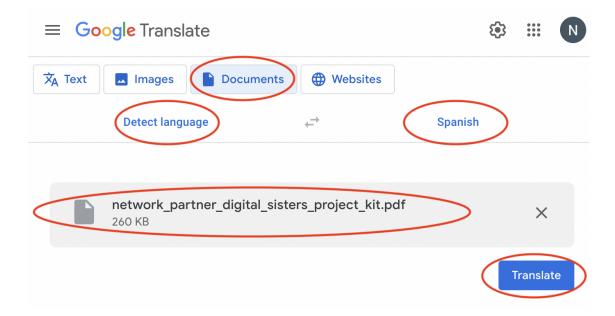
- Select 'Websites'
- 2. Select 'English' on the left hand side, next to "detect language"
- 3. Select your the language you want it translated into on the right hand side
- 4. Copy and paste the URL (address) of the website to be translated and select the blue arrow
- 5. Go to the website you wanted translated. It should now show the site in your chosen language.





To translate documents

- 1. Select the 'Documents' button
- 2. Select to detect the language in English on the left and language to translate to on the right
- 3. Upload the document you want to translate to Google Translate
- 4. Select 'Translate' and
- 5. Download the translated document
- 6. Find your translated document in your 'downloads'





Translating text on images

- 1. Select an image to be translated.
- 2. Take a screenshot of it.
- 3. Find this screenshot and upload it to Google Translate
- 4. Select 'English' on the left and your preferred language on the right hand side



Top Tip 1: select the text you want to translate and copy and paste it into the Google Translate box to read it in another language

Top Tip 2: You can also use Google Lens for translation. See our tipsheet on Google Lens here.

Top Tip 3: Google Translate may make some mistakes in grammar or the words it uses. Ask an expert if you need to check if what you translated is correct.